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Fishtowners appealing church's fate to Vatican

Community. Residents and parishioners in Fishtown are fighting the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's decree to deconsecrate St. Laurentius Church, which they fear will lead to its demolition. An Archdiocese spokesman said the church's future has yet to be decided. PAGE 02

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Votive pillar candles are on display, left, in front of the Saint Laurentius Church, right, in Fishtown. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

Canon law lawyer calls church decree 'unusual'

Fishtown. A closed church's families are seeking to protect a deconsecrated, 130-year-old Catholic church.

A canon law attorney is appealing an Archdiocese decree deconsecrating St. Laurentius Church in Fishtown.

St. Laurentius was officially deconsecrated today by an Archdiocese of Philadelphia decree announced at mass over the weekend.

"This timing, of publishing the decree with five days allowed until it takes effect, is extremely unusual," said Sister Kate Kuenstler, who was retained by the Save St. Laurentius committee and also sent an appeal letter to the Archbishop on Monday.

Archdiocese spokesman Ken Gavin disagreed with the timing, pointing out that Father John Sibel at Holy Name Parish — which merged with St. Laurentius in 2013 — said he would seek such a decree in July after consulting parish councils.

"There is nothing unusual or surprising about the timing of the decree," Gavin said in an email.

Kuenstler said canon law allows "aggrieved parishioners" to request that Archbishop Charles Chaput reconsider his decree, rescind it or change the effective date. They also appealed to the Vatican.

"Nothing in civil law can happen concerning the demolition of the church or the property or any action regarding St. Laurentius until the appeal has been decided," she said.

Deconsecration means the church has been relegated from sacred to "profane but not sordid use." For example, it can't be sold to a brothel, gentleman's club or abortion clinic.

St. Laurentius, the oldest Polish Catholic church in Philadelphia, was built in 1882.

"The people that built the church are the people that went there. There's a lot of investment in it," said Don Geiger, 58, who lives nearby. "It's a church. Spend the money. It's not falling down. Fix it."

Full repair of St. Laurentius, located at Berks and Memphis streets, would cost $3.5 million, and demolition would cost $1 million, according to the Archdiocese.

In the rapidly developing neighborhood, rumors are flying that the church is slated for demolition.

"The future of the church building has not been definitively determined at this point," Gavin said.

The Archdiocese only started removing sacred objects from the church in spring because of structural and safety concerns in the church, he said.

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Visit **Metro.us** to hear more from Fishtowners upset about the decree.

Parish politics

St. Laurentius merged with Holy Name in April 2013, but remained open as a worship site.

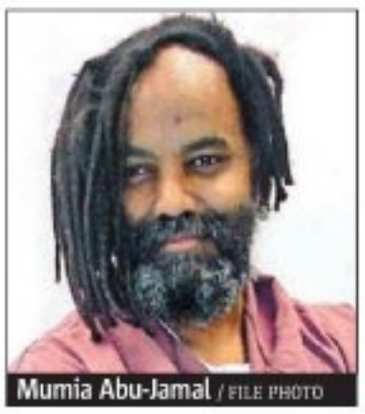
- It was closed in March due to structural issues.
- St. Laurentius School remains active.

Vermont. Goddard College taps Mumia Abu-Jamal for speech

At Goddard College in Vermont, where Mumia Abu-Jamal got a college degree through the mail in 1996, students will soon be hearing him speak at their commencement ceremony Sunday.

Abu-Jamal, 60, imprisoned since 1981 for the murder of Philadelphia police officer Daniel Faulkner, was selected to speak by the graduating students.

At Goddard, where every student "serves as his or her own valedictorian," according to president Bob Kenny, the graduating class selected Abu-Jamal, whose prerecorded speech will be played along with a short film. SAM NEWHOUSE



Mumia Abu-Jamal / FILE PHOTO

Rittenhouse

Suspects in gay assault get court date

A preliminary hearing has been scheduled for Dec. 16 for Philip Williams, 24, Kevin Harrigan, 26 and Kathryn Knott, 24, all of Bucks County, charged with aggravated assault for allegedly attacking a gay couple in Rittenhouse.

Attorneys for the trio attended a status hearing Tuesday and claimed the charges are exaggerated, reports say.

The two men encountered a group of about 15 men and women who attacked them on Sept. 11 while allegedly shouting anti-gay slurs. Both victims were taken to the hospital where one had to have his jaw wired shut. METRO

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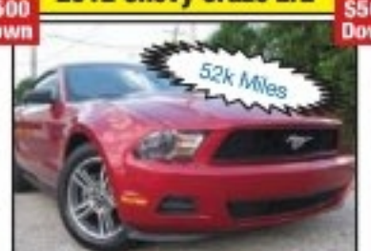

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Philadelphia

Nutter to sign pot bill today

Mayor Michael Nutter is scheduled to officially sign a bill today making Philadelphia the largest city in the U.S. to decriminalize marijuana.

The original bill, which passed City Council earlier this month, is slated to take effect Oct. 20.

"Over time, attitudes about marijuana have changed dramatically," Nutter said at a previous press conference announcing his support for the bill.

The bill, introduced by Councilman Jim Kenney, is also intended to reduce the racial disparity in marijuana arrests in Philly — 83 percent of those which were black in 2013. METRO

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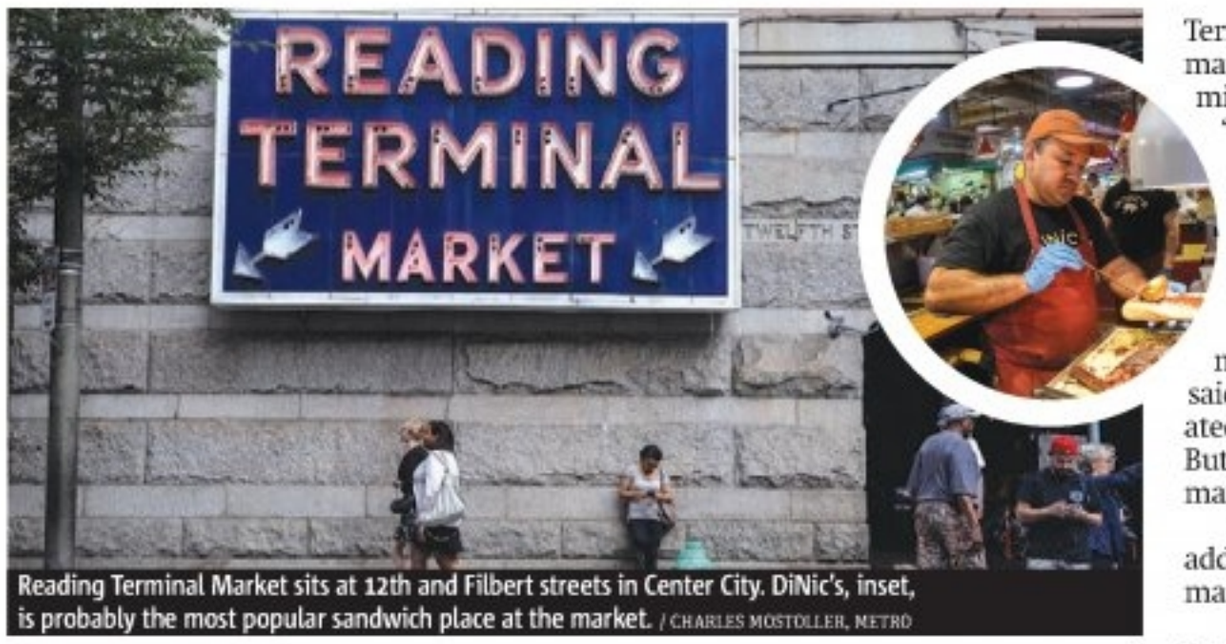
Proposed fine for possession of up to an ounce of marijuana

Reading Terminal named a great American public space

Center City. The terminal's local flavor has grabbed national attention.



Reading Terminal Market sits at 12th and Filbert streets in Center City. DiNic's, inset, is probably the most popular sandwich place at the market. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

The trademark savory aroma wafting from the vendor stalls at Reading Terminal Market has reached all the way to the Midwest.

The American Planning Association (APA), a Chicago-based nonprofit, named the terminal one of the "10 Great Public Spaces in America for 2014." The group will make its official announcement this morning.

The list is part of its yearly "Great Places in America" program, which acknowledges the country's best streets, public spaces and neighborhoods. The group makes its choices based on a specific criteria, such as places ingrained with culture, historical significance, community involvement and vision.

Carol Rhea, APA president-elect, said what stood out about the terminal was the 80-odd vendor spaces, "and all of those are 100 percent locally owned and run."

"What I look for, what my husband and I crave, is authenticity and local culture and flavor," she said.

"We love the food items that are unique to Philadelphia. That's what attracts us. This is local, this is Philly, this is different," she added.

Paul Steinke, Reading Terminal Market general manager, called the terminal a combination of "history and food and culture, the likes of which you don't find under one roof in many places in this country."

In regard to the terminal's vision, so far, he said, the market has created new vendor spaces. But expansion-wise, it's maxed its footprint.

So, why not build an addition on top of the market?

"It's an idea that has been talked about informally," Steinke said. "And it's something where we'd have to partner with the Convention Center, and there's really no immediate plans to do that, but it's a very intriguing vision."

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Skaters gather to celebrate their progress

Center City. "Street Level" is a campaign to raise funds and self-esteem.

They've been kicked out of LOVE Park, and now Dilworth Park, but skateboarders across the city still see progress.

Josh Dubin, executive director of the nonprofit Franklin's Paine Skatepark Fund, which helped build Paine's Park and advocates for skaters and their culture, pointed Tuesday to City Councilman Jim Kenney, "who is on the record as saying that when the new LOVE Park is redesigned in the coming year or two, that he'd like to see a way to preserve some opportunity for skateable space in the new design because of the park's importance to global skating culture," Dubin said.

"I think that would have been unfathomable even a few years ago," he added.

At the park, which sits between the Benjamin Franklin Parkway and the Schuylkill River Trail, the fund is hosting an event to raise money and to draw attention to how the sport can be more of a positive influence, and shed its reputation as a nuisance.

Dubbed "Street Level," the event celebrates skaters who have become leaders and role models in communities across the world using the boards with wheels as their swords.

Dubin hopes Paine's Park shows "that when skateable space can be incorporated in an intelligent way there are interesting ways to move forward both in LOVE Park and others."

If you go

The event starts Wednesday at 6 p.m. and ends at 9 p.m.

- It benefits the fund.
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University City

Penn student dead in suspected suicide

Amanda Hu, 20, of North Carolina, was found dead late Sunday in her Sansom Street home, officials said.

Police are investigating the possible suicide. Hu left two notes, reports say. The cause of death has not been reported.

UPenn officials announced Tuesday they will open a 24-hour hotline for Penn community members. METRO

Delaware

Toddler shoots self in head: Report

A boy, 2, in Claymont, Delaware was in critical condition as of press time after accidentally shooting himself in the head.

Reports say the boy's mother heard a gunshot around 10 a.m. inside an apartment on Cliffside Court and discovered her child with a gunshot wound. He was medevaced to a hospital.

It was not reported how the child got the weapon. METRO

In it for the kids

Hundreds of volunteers turned out to the North Light Community Center in Manayunk to help build a new playground, with support from GSK and KaBOOM!

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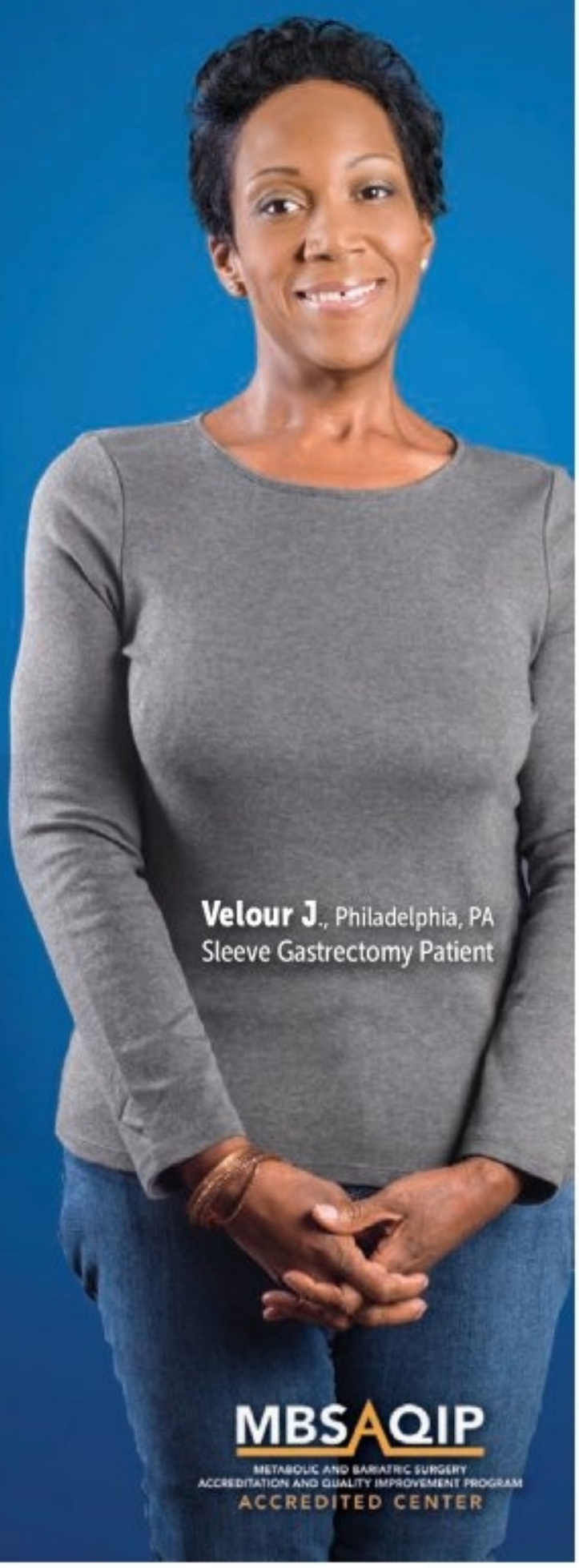

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CDC confirms first Ebola case diagnosed in US

Patients. The previous US patients were medical or aid workers who were diagnosed while in West Africa.

Health Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. / GOOGLE MAPS

Health officials said on Tuesday that the first patient infected with the deadly Ebola virus has been diagnosed in the U.S. after flying from Liberia to Texas, in a new sign of how the outbreak ravaging West Africa can spread globally.

The patient sought treatment six days after arriving in Texas on Sept. 20, Dr. Thomas Frieden, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, told reporters on Tuesday. He was admitted two days later to an isolation room at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas.

Health officials and lawmakers have been bracing for the eventuality that a patient would arrive on U.S. shores undetected, testing the preparedness of the nation's health care system.

Frieden said a handful of people, mostly family members, may have been exposed to the patient after he fell ill. He said there was likely no threat to any passengers who had traveled with the patient. Frieden described the person as a visitor to family in the U.S.

"It is certainly possible someone who had contact with this individual could develop Ebola in the coming weeks," Frieden told a news conference. "I have no doubt we will stop this in its tracks in the United States." REUTERS

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NFL TV ratings rise despite domestic violence concerns

Commissioner. Roger Goodell has been widely criticized for his uneven response to abuse cases.

NBC's "Sunday Night Football" — one of TV's top programs — has averaged 21.8 million through the first three games, a two percent rise from last season. / GETTY IMAGES

Americans are tuning in to NFL football in greater numbers than last year, according to early season viewership figures, signaling the league's fumbled handling of domestic violence cases has not dented its overall popularity.

Through the first three weeks of the season, audiences watching nationally televised primetime broadcasts have risen and nearly all networks have seen an uptick in viewership so far this season.

"I'm not going to stop watching football," said Los Angeles lawyer Conor Flahive, 26.

The NFL's domestic abuse crisis was touched off when Goodell suspended former Baltimore Ravens star Ray Rice two games for punching his fiancee, now wife, unconscious, a punishment many believed was too light.

CBS has drawn 19.5 million viewers on average to its Sunday afternoon NFL games, according to Nielsen data, an increase from its 17.8 million it averaged over the course of last season, continuing the NFL's run as a ratings juggernaut. REUTERS

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Medical marijuana

Maine police searching for fake cops after pot robbery

Police are searching for three armed men who dressed as law enforcement officers to steal medical marijuana plants from a licensed grower in the small central Maine town of Winterport.

Wearing outfits bearing a "sheriff" insignia, American flag patches and tactical vests with the "SWAT" logo, which real police said were widely sold online, normally to buyers seeking Halloween costumes, the three men stormed the grower's garden on Sunday and were caught on surveillance video. REUTERS

Let the Weight Be Over

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Olympian. Phelps arrested on charges of drunken driving

Phelps has landed in hot water over a DUI charge. / GETTY IMAGES

Olympic swimming champion Michael Phelps was arrested for drunken driving early on Tuesday after speeding and then crossing the double lines inside the Fort McHenry Tunnel in Baltimore, Maryland Transportation Authority Police said.

Phelps, 29, was clocked by radar at around 1:40 a.m. traveling 84 miles per hour in a 45 mph zone, police said.

The 18-time Olympic gold medalist was booked and released.

Phelps, the most decorated Olympian of all time with 22 medals, was "unable to perform satisfactorily a series of standard field sobriety tests," police said.

Police said the officer followed Phelps's 2014 Land Rover onto northbound Interstate 95, through the tunnel, and pulled him over just beyond the tunnel's toll plaza.

The Baltimore native was cooperative "throughout the process," police said in a statement.

REUTERS

Film

Netflix co-producing 'Crouching Tiger' sequel

Netflix Inc. said it is jointly producing the sequel to the Oscar-winning movie "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" with Weinstein Co., marking its entry into feature film production.

"Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon: The Green Legend" will release exclusively on the online video service and in select global IMAX theaters next August, Netflix said.

The film is a sequel to Ang Lee's martial arts epic released in 2000.

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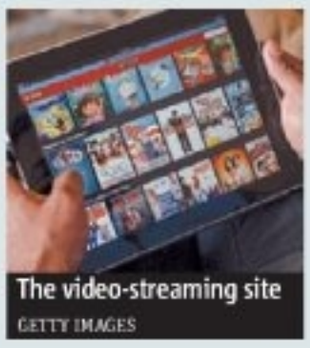

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@SethMacFarlane "Well actually Katniss, we don't want to label anyone a 'winner' or a 'loser.' Now, everyone line up for your participation trophies."

Guess who's back? Amanda Bynes!

You know who we haven't heard from in a while? Amanda Bynes. Well, that dry spell is over, because she's back! The conservatorship giving her parents control over her life and finances ended earlier this month, and right on cue, we have the former Nickelodeon star's first run-in with the law. Bynes was arrested over the weekend for driving under the influence after cops in Sherman Oaks, California, saw her stop at a red light — in the middle of the intersection. Police charged Bynes with a misdemeanor after they "determined she was under the influence of a controlled substance," according to E! News, though exactly what substance is still a mystery.

We hope Bynes still has her favorite blue wig (seen here in a photo from 2013). / GETTY IMAGES

And that's not all. Bynes is making up for troubled starlet lost time, as Radar Online reports that she's flunked out of the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, where she'd been studying since getting out of rehab last year.

THE WORD

Ned Ehrbar takes on the world of gossip.

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Which of these handsome gentlemen would you choose to support? / GETTY IMAGES

Damon's toughest choice: Clooney or Affleck

Having to choose between famous friends can be tough, as Matt Damon learned when he chose to head to Italy for George Clooney's wedding, missing Ben Affleck's "Gone Girl" premiere in New York the night before. And the choice apparently did not go unnoticed by Affleck's wife, Jennifer Garner. "Jennifer was furious that Matt didn't go to the premiere. She flipped out that he ditched his best friend on his big night to go to George's wedding instead." Oof. Way to get on your best friend's wife's bad side, Matt. Funny thing, though — from perusing the red carpet photos of the "Gone Girl" premiere, you know who else evidently wasn't there? Jennifer Garner, who was in Los Angeles the next morning to do press for her own new film. Maybe she was projecting? And in Damon's defense, Affleck has had — and will continue to have — a lot of movie premieres. Clooney's only going to get married maybe a handful more times.

Gawker gets Lena Dunham's attention

Lena Dunham originally planned to have the opening acts on her book tour perform for free, but that was before Gawker said something about it. Now Dunham says that the acts — ranging from comedians to gymnasts — will be compensated. "Some good points were raised and I've ensured that all opening acts will be compensated for their time, their labor and their talents," Dunham tweeted. "The fact that Gawker pointed this out really proves Judd Apatow's saying that 'a good note can come from anywhere.'"

The Donald: 'Maybe I'll sue' prankster Philip Bradbury

Comedian Philip Bradbury got Donald Trump to retweet a photo of serial killers Fred and Rosemary West by tweeting that the photo was his parents, who'd called Trump a "big inspiration." Whoops. "I thought I was being nice to somebody re: their parents," Trump tweeted. "Maybe I'll sue."

A David Fincher 'Star Wars'? Nah

Good thing J.J. Abrams was free: "Gone Girl" director David Fincher tells Total Film he met with Lucasfilm early on about helming the revamped "Star Wars," but it wasn't meant to be. "It's tricky. My favorite is 'The Empire Strikes Back.' If I said, 'I want to do something more like that,' then I'm sure the people paying for it would be like, 'No! You can't do that! We want it like the other one with all the creatures!'" he says.

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But first up, **Uniqlo** celebrates its opening at 1608 Chestnut with an invitation-only shopping soiree tomorrow. A ribbon cutting for the public opening is Friday at 10 a.m., and a community event Saturday at **Smith Memorial Park Playground** with a "From Tokyo to Philly" theme features **Questlove** and both local and Japanese drummers. Willow Grove, your Uniqlo opens Oct. 12 (with no members of **The Roots** present).

Jose and Beatriz Garces went to a pre-party in advance of the Oct. 29 gala for their Garces Foundation at one-time mayoral candidate Tom Knox and his wife, Linda's, Two Liberty Place home.

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Atlantic City **Mayor Don Guardian** stopped by **Cuba Libre** Monday to show off a new "Do AC" tourism commercial. Glass-half-full guy that he is, Guardian didn't acknowledge the closure of a handful of casinos as a possible death knell for his town: "I think this allows us to put less emphasis on gaming and more on the smaller entrepreneurs doing business in our town — restaurants, clubs and services, all the sort of places that Philly visitors will want to visit."

Seen on the scene

- **Ethan Johns**, son of producer **Glyn Johns** (**Bob Dylan, The Who**) and a producer in his own right (**Paul McCartney**) hit a snag at World Cafe Live Friday: a tiny crowd. Johns made lemonade by leaving the stage, hitting the floor and playing as if he was jamming around a campfire.
- **Adrian Grenier** of "Entourage" was at the Vendemmia Fest at Girard Park Sunday. He's made stops here with his **Honey Brothers**, but this stay seemed like a joyride from his Brooklyn home.

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PHILADELPHIA-Starting a business can be difficult, but making it grow can be just as challenging. Like many business owners Oswaldo Quintero wanted to expand his pest control business and increase revenues, so he looked to the Greater Philadelphia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GPHCC) for assistance; today, he shares the knowledge learned with Latino Innovation and Growth participants.

The Latino Innovation and Growth program is a series of workshops that help entrepreneurs evaluate the current state of their business, and use the Business Model Canvas to create a growth plan to position their business for both short-term and long-term growth. The ongoing program starts every six weeks and there is no better day than today to register and benefit from the expertise provided.

The Weekly Yelp. Our favorite bookstores in Philadelphia

The weather is turning cooler, sweaters have ascended from the depths of closets and chances are you've already heard someone exclaim, "This weather just makes me want to curl up with a good book." Well, you're in luck because these local bookstores have that old-book smell and cozy corners for you to fully embrace fall.

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I happened by Neighborhood Books on my Sunday afternoon stroll. I straddle the line with a love for the convenient technology of my kindle and a love of the smell and feel of books. I'll definitely be back when I have more time to browse and shop. **LJ S.**

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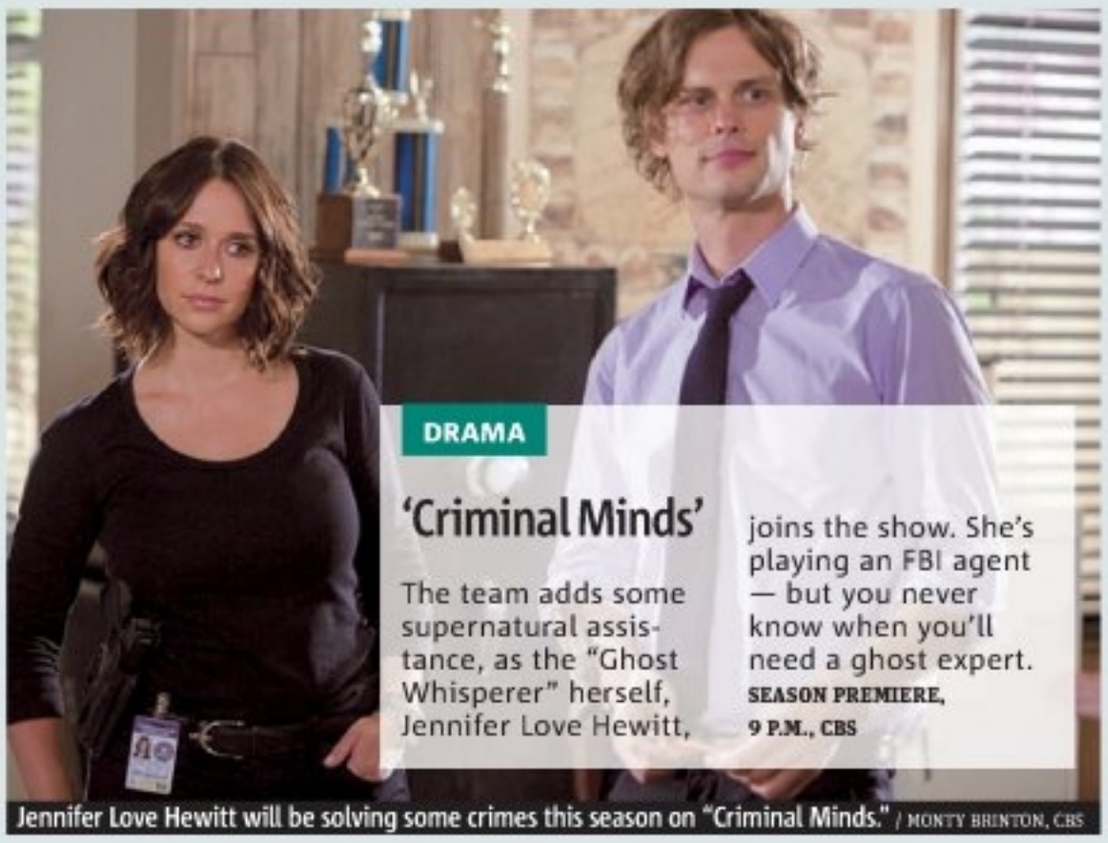

DRAMA

'Criminal Minds'

The team adds some supernatural assistance, as the "Ghost Whisperer" herself, Jennifer Love Hewitt, joins the show. She's playing an FBI agent — but you never know when you'll need a ghost expert. **SEASON PREMIERE, 9 P.M., CBS**

Jennifer Love Hewitt will be solving some crimes this season on "Criminal Minds." / MONTY BRINTON, CBS

REALITY

'Top Chef: Duels'

Things get a little medical as the cast of "Grey's Anatomy" appears on this episode, which features a face-off between Art Smith and Kevin Gillespie. **10 P.M., BRAVO**

COMEDY

'The Middle'

Frankie and Mike are on the hunt for second jobs because they want daughter Sue to go to a good college, while Sue focuses on putting on a senior play. **8 P.M., ABC**

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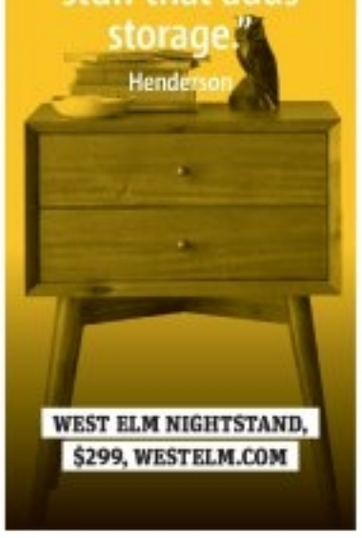

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Small space solutions

Tips. Design expert Emily Henderson shows us how to upgrade our cramped quarters.

Anyone who follows Emily Henderson — HGTV host and Target's new home style expert — on Instagram or her (super fun) website knows that the designer is hysterically funny, and she's also currently renovating her new Los Angeles home. The design star takes a break from fixing up her dream house to think back to her NYC days in a tiny Spanish Harlem apartment. She shares some tips for living in a challenging city space.

Avoid sensory overload

"The overall philosophy is if you live in a small space that's dark, the more contrast you have, the smaller it will look," says Henderson. Her advice: "Limit the color palette and limit the amount of patterns." But, stresses the designer, "With the patterns you do include, try and keep the contrast down." For example, instead of getting a huge black-and-white rug, get a gray-and-white rug that's more tonal.

But no stark white walls

Despite popular belief, "people in small spaces with no natural light shouldn't paint their walls white," says Henderson. "It just looks flat and dead." She says to go with a tone such as a medium gray. "You just want some sort of pigment in the paint in order for it to have life."

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On bringing in color

"If you love color, paint your walls a white [if you have natural light] or neutral, because it means you're going to consistently buy things that are colorful. It's happened to me where everything in my house is colorful which can look really crazy and chaotic. So now I paint the walls white and then everything that's colorful pops." Henderson

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In her NYC pad

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2 "I chose a lot of pale colors that went together, with low contrast. So it felt softer and less messy."

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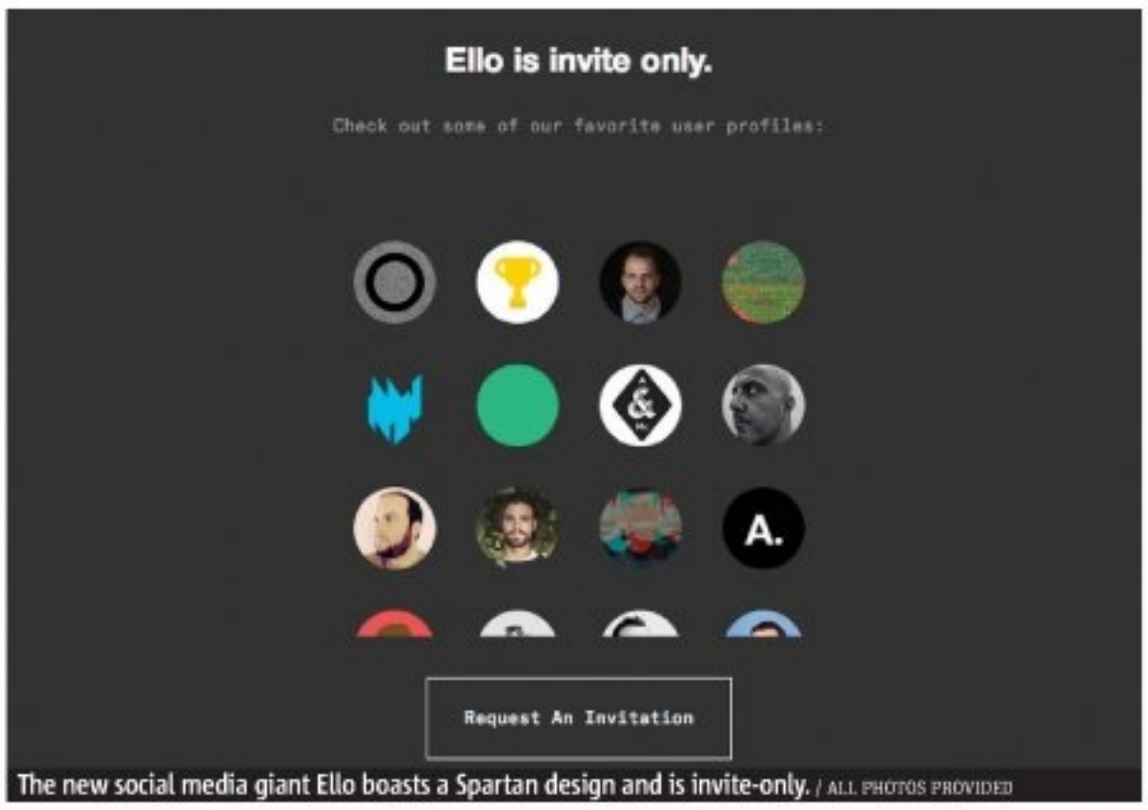
Ello or goodbye?

Online. The new social media monster might be too modest (and clumsy) to be the next Facebook.



The new social media giant Ello boasts a Spartan design and is invite-only. / ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED

It's likely that sometime last week, your feed on Facebook or Twitter suddenly lit up with people seeking others to join them on something called Ello (Ello.co). Modern technology moves fast, and a term that just seven days ago was a Cockney attempt at saying hi is now the latest social media behemoth: the beast that may finally replace Facebook the way Facebook replaced MySpace — or simply disappear into the ether that swallowed Friendster.

The makers behind Ello swear it's different, and its modesty could either make or break it. "Your social network is owned by advertisers," begins the site's manifesto. "Advertisers buy your data so they can show you more ads. You are the product that's bought and sold."

Right now Ello is still invite-only, and they're reportedly fielding 40,000 requests an hour and are so backed up and understaffed they're slow to respond, to patrons as well as press.

So far the plan seems to be to charge, modestly, for certain "special features," but it's not clear what those are or if they'll add up to dollars that can keep it afloat. Right now, Ello sounds too good to be true.

Pros and cons

What you can do (now)

Ello is mostly restricted to status updates, in the form of text, images and gifs (but not yet video) and connectivity. It doesn't require your official name, as Facebook does, so actually finding people has proved difficult. (You need to know people's handles.)

What you can't do (now)

As of right now, you can't flag inappropriate content and there's no private messaging, private accounts or app version to consume your life at all times. But perhaps most tragically, this drab world is just no place for emojis of any kind.

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Awareness. BreastCancer.org founder talks genetic testing, tailored treatments and the Angelina Effect.

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As an oncologist and a survivor herself, Dr. Marisa Weiss knows the urgency felt by those diagnosed with breast cancer. Genetic testing has accelerated the pace of innovation.

"The treatments for breast cancer are really getting very tailored," she says. "One of the things we learned about breast cancer is that it's not one disease; there are different types of breast cancer that behave very differently and are treated differently."

As Breast Cancer Awareness month begins, Weiss, the founder of BreastCancer.org, tells Metro how the field has changed in the last year and what's on the horizon.

Where do we stand?

"We are not making headway in terms of the incidence of breast cancer, but our methods of detection have improved, giving us more precise tools for finding it early."

What's new in the field?

"Just over a year ago, Angelina Jolie shared her personal story about having the BRCA1 gene in her family, and so there is the Angelina Effect: About twice the number of women are getting genetic testing now than before. In addition, the Supreme Court took the patents off the [BRCA] genes, which allowed many more companies to come into the marketplace."

What looks promising?

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♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. By the time you explain what you want done, you could have completed the work yourself. Take time to do the things you enjoy.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Use your peers as sounding boards to get feedback regarding your next venture. You'll receive some worthwhile contributions and suggestions.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Retreat to the sidelines and watch what develops. You should delay making any decisions or refinements to your plans.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. This is a fine time to move forward with a professional change. Expect a minor windfall or a reimbursement.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. Excessive financial or emotional upheavals need to be avoided. Practice patience and learn to take gradual steps.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Prove your value. You have the knowledge to be successful, but your talents will go undiscovered if you don't show others what you can offer.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Keep your creative ideas under wraps. It's likely that you will find a market for your innovations, but this is not the right time to leave your current employer.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Love and romance will be at the top of your list. Sharing your feelings will strengthen your bonds.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Residential changes are imminent. Get started redecorating or renovating. Legal and real estate issues will come to a favorable conclusion.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. You are in a high creative cycle. You will be able to make the most of every situation if you let your intuition guide you.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. All work and no play is unhealthy. Prepare something that you can do with your peers in order to reduce your stress level.

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Letters

Publishing letters denying climate change irresponsible

Re: 'Climate change is a natural cycle for Earth' (Metro, Sept. 30)
Climate change is well documented as a real phenomenon caused by man. This is backed up by everyone from the scientific community to the Pentagon and the Pope. You would not print letters about the world being flat or letters denying the Holocaust.

Please stop printing climate denialism. A great many real lives are at stake.

CRAIG S. ALTEMOSE, VIA EMAIL

Re: 'Climate change is a natural cycle for Earth' (Metro, Sept. 30)
Sir, I don't think that you understand global warming at all. Yes, there have been periods of cooling and heating over the billion-year history of the Earth due to "wobbles" in its orbit that causes changes in amount and direction of sunlight. However, according to NASA, these wobbles and other factors are too small to explain the rapid increase in the average temperature of our planet. Check your facts. This isn't some fad that is going away next week.

K. SWEENEY, VIA EMAIL

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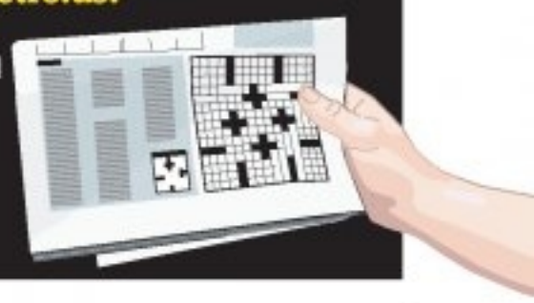

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26 Aloha token
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35 Can't stomach
36 Lab weight
37 "Just the facts, —"
38 Brewed beverage
39 Bird's penthouse
42 Resort
43 Fictional plantation
45 Important decades
46 Kind of printer
48 Got better
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54 Pagodas and temples
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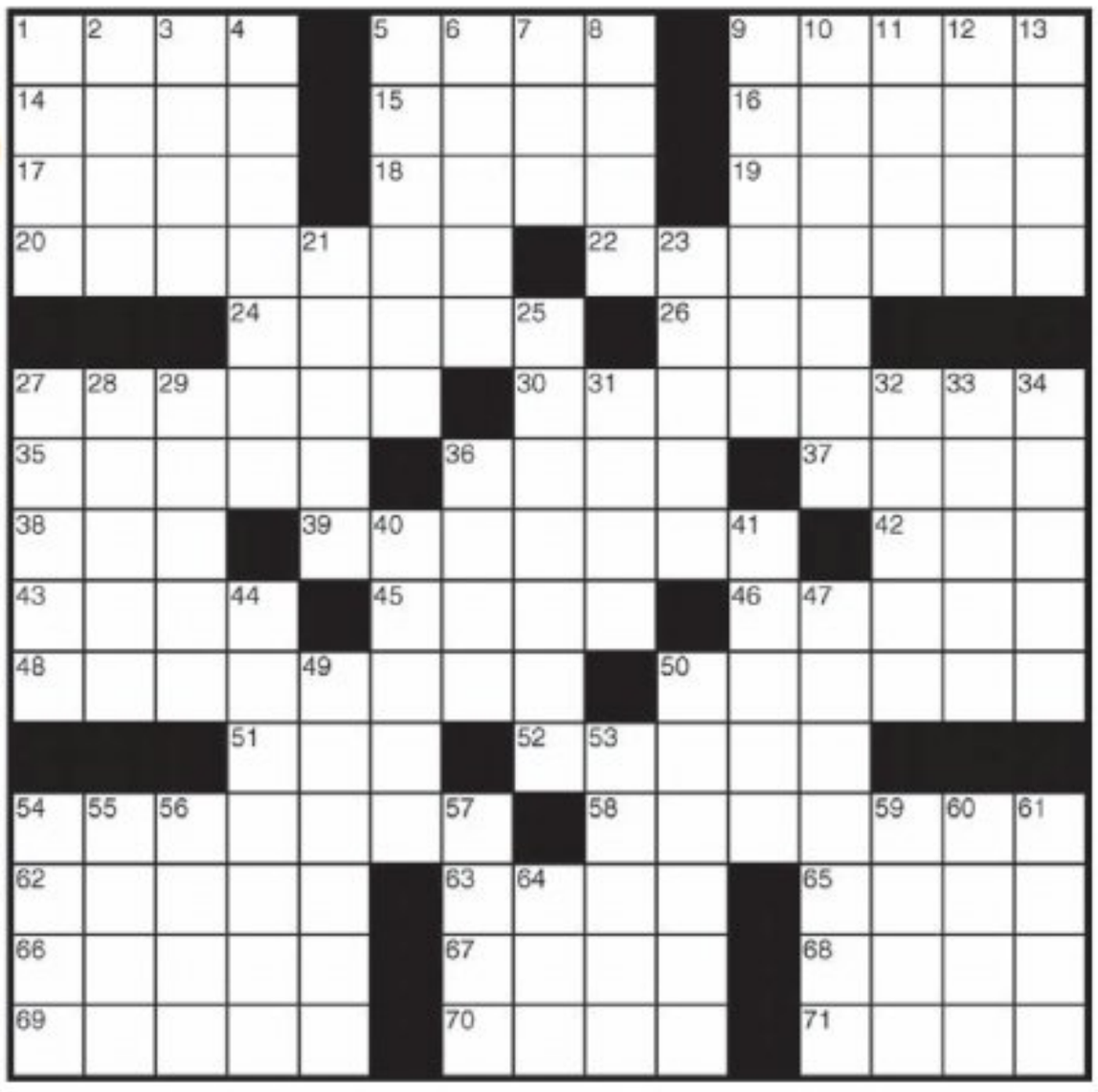

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For youthful 76ers, future begins now

NBA. Next season may be a rough one, but the big picture shows real promise for the Sixers.

Picture this: Nerlens Noel, Joel Embiid and Dario Saric protecting the rim for the Philadelphia 76ers. It may be a few years, and there are hurdles to climb, but the visual is sure enticing.

Noel and Embiid recently traveled to Spain along with Rookie of the Year Michael Carter-Williams, coach Brett Brown and general manager Sam Hinkie. They went to visit Saric, who was competing in the FIBA World Cup championships. Saric was drafted by the Sixers but is likely to remain overseas for at least the next two years. This was a way to bond and also to ponder the future.

For now, Carter-Williams, who underwent shoulder surgery in the offseason is back for his second season, as is Noel, who'll be making his debut after missing all of last season with a torn ACL. Embiid may miss all of the 2014-15 season rehabbing a stress fracture in his foot. Who knows what the future holds?

"I think about it every day," Noel said.

So does Embiid, who was taken No. 3 overall from Kansas by the Sixers.

"[Noel] talked to me about [sitting out all year]," Embiid said. "He told me it sucks."

The Sixers are planning for the future and they're clearly willing to wait for certain pieces.

"I'm a much better player than I was [at Kentucky]," Noel said. "Sitting out did so much for my maturity and it really brought me a long way both physically and mentally. Having to go through that was tough and going into the future there's nothing that will be harder than that."

During the trip to Spain, the players became much closer. It bodes well for future seasons in Philadelphia if everything works out as planned.

"Joel is a lovable kid," Noel said. "He brings so much energy no matter who he's around. He's exactly what you see. He's a funny, lovable kid."

And talented.

With Noel, Embiid and Saric together — well, it's exciting to think about it.

"We're great shot-blockers," Embiid said of himself and Noel. "I've seen him in practice working on his post moves and he's pretty good. And in college, I showed some flashes of an offensive game. I have it, but people haven't seen it."

Once again, the Sixers are going to be young. They will have inexperienced players getting meaningful minutes, a potential star sidelined in Embiid and another standout performing in another country.

"We look forward to that day when we can be out there every night and say tonight we have a chance and, in fact, they're sort of fearful coming in here to play us," Hinkie said. "I think a lot of that is about the development of our young guys. As [they] come along, we'll see, but right now there is an unknown to that."

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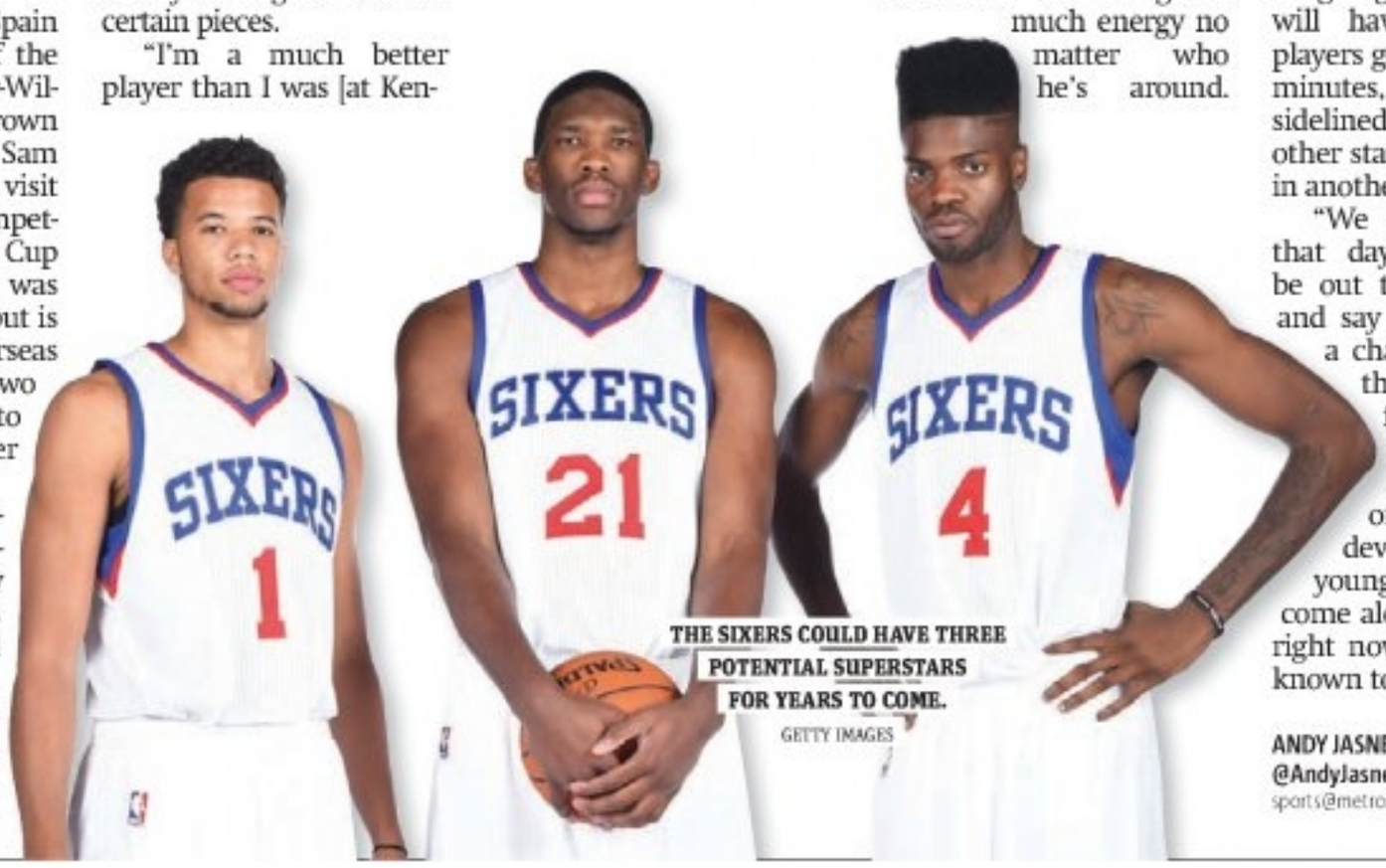
"I just have to keep growing as a leader. I have to grow up fast on the court. Each and every night I have to will our team to win."

Michael Carter-Williams



THE SIXERS COULD HAVE THREE POTENTIAL SUPERSTARS FOR YEARS TO COME.
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Eagles know they must run better

The Eagles had the ball for just over 17 minutes against the 49ers. Birds' offensive coordinator Pat Shurmur knows to win in the NFL, his team has to be much better on the ground to help the Eagles maintain possession. "What we need to do is do a better job of staying on the field so we get more plays," Shurmur said. "We didn't stay on the field. We didn't extend drives for various reasons."

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Grading the Phillies:

MLB. Metro delivers an end-of-season report card for the Phillies.

If you were told in March that Chase Utley and Ryan Howard would combine for 173 RBIs, that Marlon Byrd would knock in 85 runs, that Cole Hamels would have the best season of his career, Jonathan Papelbon would save 39 games and that the bullpen would be among the best in baseball, thoughts of playoffs would dance through your head.

However, 2014 was very similar to 2013. And the issues going into the 2015 season are even bigger. GM Ruben Amaro can't say "If the Phillies remain healthy, we'll be fine." The infield core of Utley, Howard and Jimmy Rollins each played in at least 138 games.

But it didn't matter. Much went wrong for the Phillies, most notably the starting rotation.

It's time for the Phillies grades for 2014. Fortunately, the players' parents don't have to sign off on this report card.

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Ryan Howard

Yes, the Big Piece drove in 95 runs and clubbed 23 homers but there were a myriad issues for the guy, who finished fourth in the NL in RBIs. Howard led the league in strikeouts with 190. He was in the top five in futility with men on base. The silver lining for Howard is that he didn't get hurt and appeared in 153 games. The reality is that Howard, who never received enough credit for his work ethic, had a great career and was never the same after his Achilles injury.

HOWARD WAS PRODUCTIVE WITH MEN ON BASE AND HEALTHY ALL SEASON.
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Domonic Brown

It's amazing how far Brown has fallen in just one season. After making the 2013 NL All-Star team Brown has appeared to lose it.

After hitting 27 homers in 2013, he only managed to knock 10 balls out of the park in 2014. His slugging percentage was an anemic .349 and his defense was atrocious. What's difficult to swallow is that Brown appears to have all the physical tools. Will he turn it around with another team?

Carlos Ruiz

Ruiz had a decent season for an aging catcher. Chooch contributed Ruiz-esque numbers on the side of the plate and was his usual self behind the dish. Like his veteran teammates, health wasn't an issue. The pitchers, especially the young bullpen arms, love throwing to Ruiz. And his contributions showed, most notably when he caught his third career no-hitter against the Braves.

Cody Asche

Asche picked it up offensively and defensively, but the Phillies needed a difference maker at third and the rookie wasn't that at the hot corner. Maikel Franco is the future at third. If Asche can amp it up at the plate, perhaps he can be a corner outfielder or a sub. But his opportunity to break through and secure a future with the Phillies slipped away from him this season.

Marlon Byrd

Byrd was a good free agent pickup. Despite finishing in the top 5 in the NL in strikeouts, Byrd was productive at the plate. The burly veteran drove in 85 runs. He led the team in homers (25) and slugging (.445). Byrd proved to be the best outfielder by far. Byrd-man is also a consummate professional. Though he may not be a member of the squad in 2015, he was certainly a big contributor in 2014.

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Ben Revere

Revere led the team with a .306 batting average and 49 stolen bases. But with no power and an inability to draw walks, pitchers weren't afraid to challenge him. He received criticism for not taking walks, but all he'd see from pitchers were strikes. Revere has a poor arm but his throws improved since he adopted a better grip. If the Phillies were a better team and the speedy, slap-hitting Revere could play in left, he'd be much more effective, but again the Phillies are haunted by their lack of depth.

Ryne Sandberg

Sandberg made some inexplicable moves this season and appeared to lose his clubhouse at points in the season. But he knows the game and he should be judged on more than one season.

The Bench

Darin Ruf and Grady Sizemore played pretty well considering the small sample set. But those two didn't surface until late in the season. The bench was thin and lacked flexibility.

Grading the pitching

The Phillies' pitching staff was highlighted by Cole Hamels and the potent bullpen, but it was hardly enough to lift the team to a winning record.

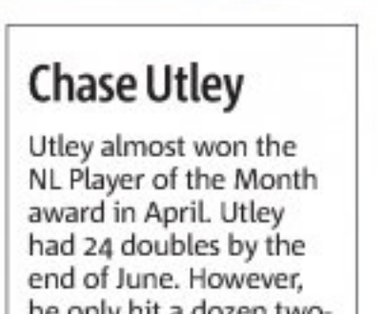
- **The starters** Hamels, who posted a 1.15 WHIP, had the best season of his career. But received no support. His 2.45 ERA belies his 9-9 mark. Cliff Lee missed most of the season, handicapping the franchise. Four-fifths of the rotation were as much to blame as the offense for a terrible season. **Grade:** D
- **The bullpen** Who would ever guess that the bullpen arms would emerge? Ken Giles, who finished with a 0.79 WHIP, was a revelation and Papelbon saved 39 games. **Grade:** A-

Chase Utley

Utley almost won the NL Player of the Month award in April. Utley had 24 doubles by the end of June. However, he only hit a dozen two-baggers in the second half. The most surprising stat was that Utley played in 155 games. That was part of the problem. Fans expected Ryne Sandberg, unlike Charlie Manuel, to give Utley more rest. However, Sandberg wanted to win and there wasn't anyone on the bench who can approximate what the potential Hall of Famer, who was the Phillies lone All-Star, is capable of. The odds are that Utley's numbers would have been better if he wasn't worn out by the end of July.

Jimmy Rollins

Sure, Rollins finished with a .243 average but he made a surprising comeback after a season in which he appeared to have fallen off an offensive cliff. Rollins, who appeared to be reduced to warning track power in 2013, belted 17 homers and drove in 55 runs. The most impressive number was his career-high 64 walks. And then there's Rollins' glove, which was still very good.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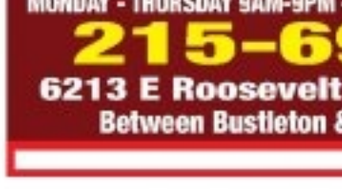
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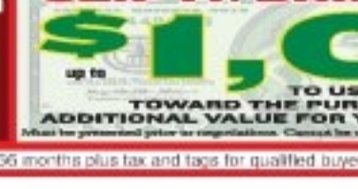
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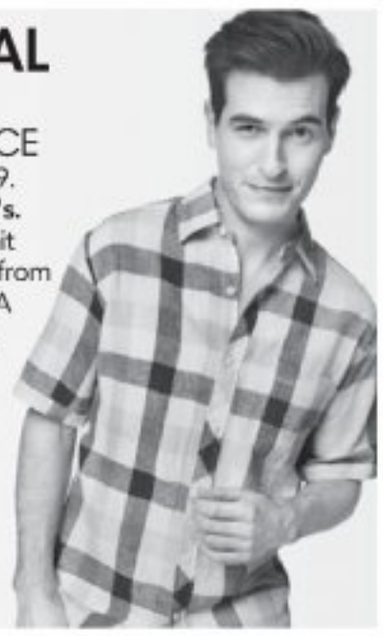

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"Wineries like to celebrate the harvest. It's a celebration of the harvest and to help people learn and understand about the harvest. If you're lucky, you'll be at the winery on a day when they've picked grapes and they're starting to process them."

Karen Cline of the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail

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Around town

Spotlight

Come meet the Colonial Americans who populate Newlin Grist Mill's 18th-century town on Sunday. / COURTESY OF NEWLIN GRIST MILL

Newlin Grist Mill Harvest Festival

Sunday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; $5 parking per car; Newlin Grist Mill, 29 Cheyney Rd., Glen Mills; 610-459-2359; www.newlingristmill.org
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Spotlight

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CARLA ZAMBELLI

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It's the first festival in the area exclusively for people with autism. Every activity is planned with the sensory and socialization needs of the autistic population in mind. **LAUREN BURGOON**

Spotlight

There will be dancing in the streets at the Paoli Blues Fest on Saturday. / COURTESY OF THE PAOLI BLUES FEST

Paoli Blues Fest & Street Fair

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A stomping good time

Multitask. Why just sit back and sip wine when you can stomp it, too?

Grape stomping can get messy; make sure you bring a change of pants. / ALL PHOTOS BY BRANDYWINE VALLEY WINE TRAIL

The Brandywine Valley Wine Trail closes out the harvest this weekend with two days packed full of wine sampling, picnicking and stomping grapes for a good cause.

Brandywine Valley's six wineries have been busy harvesting the year's grape haul, and that's reason enough for a party, says Karen Cline of the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail. The fun began last week and continues Saturday and Sunday this week.

"Wineries like to celebrate the harvest. It's a celebration of the harvest and to help people learn and understand about the harvest," she says. "If you're lucky, you'll be at the winery on a day when they've picked grapes and they're starting to process them."

A $15 passport gets you two days of harvest celebrations at the six wineries: Black Walnut Winery in Sadsburyville, Borderland Vineyard in Landenberg, Kreutz Creek Vineyards in West Grove, Paradocx Vineyard in Landenberg, Patone Cellars in Landenberg and Penns Woods Winery in Chadds Ford.

Each vineyard offers up something a little different for the wine trail. At Paradocx Vineyard, there are corn and rope mazes, hayrides and even a slingshot. Penns Woods is bringing in food trucks, while Borderland Vineyard has pop-up shops and painting classes.

But the one event most people look forward to is the grape stomp, Cline says. For a minimum $5 donation, you can sign up at the different vineyards for a chance to give a barrel of grapes what for.

"The grape stomping benefits breast cancer organizations. We've been able to donate quite a bit," Cline says. This year, donations will go to Living Beyond Breast Cancer and the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition.

This weekend coincides with "Think Pink, Drink Pink" at the Brandywine vineyards, when part of the purchase price on bottles of rosé also goes toward the breast cancer groups.

"We're looking forward to a great weekend," Cline says. "The weather's great, and there's nothing better than relaxing at one of the wineries, sampling wine."

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Brandywine Vineyard closes out its grape harvest this weekend.

If you go

The Brandywine harvest festival runs Saturday and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Visit www.bvwinetrail.com for the full schedule at each winery.

Oenophiles, rejoice!

A brand-new wine region to sip through

A new wine region connecting the wineries in the tri-state area provides even more opportunity to sample local vintages.

The Vintage Atlantic Wine Region spans South Jersey to the Brandywine River Valley, all of Delaware and the eastern Chesapeake Bay. All told, it includes 40 wineries and six established wine trails in a 90-mile radius.

None of the wineries are new; instead, the Vintage Atlantic Wine Region wants to unite existing vineyards and make it easier for wine lovers to explore the area's offerings.

"We are coming together as a region to realize the wine growing and wine-making potential that is within our reach," say Vintage Atlantic organizers. To learn more, visit Vintageatlanticwine.com.

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